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APPLICANTS : Shimkets *et al.*
SERIAL NUMBER : 09/494,585 EXAMINER : Christine Saoud
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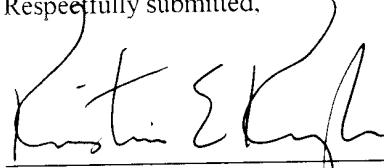
Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

1. Amendment and Response (24 pgs total), including
 - a. Response and Appendices A-C (14 pgs);
 - b. Exhibits 1 and 2 (8 pgs, 2 pgs, respectively); and
2. Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time (1 pg);
3. Check in the amount of \$460.00 (#13263) to cover Petition fee; and
4. Return Postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311 Ref. No. 15966-557 (Cura-57). A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herewith.

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